

AN EXCITING JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY
COMMISSION (MHSOAC)**

This position has been previously listed on the Department of Mental Health website and the MHSOAC website. The Commission feels that the circulation was not adequate to let all possibly interested parties know of this opportunity, so they are putting this out to stakeholders and placing it on the MHSOAC list-serve.

The executive director is an exempt position, meaning that it does not have an examination or specific qualifications. The hiring is by the Commission itself and the person will report directly to the chair of the Commission and be responsible to the commission generally. The person selected will serve at the pleasure of the Commission and is an “at will” employee.

Duties are where the excitement lies:

- Working directly with the 16 appointed commissioners to develop and set policy around the implementation of the Mental Health Services Act (Prop 63);
- Ensuring the education of the commissioners on the system of care that the Act presumes as the goal of transformation;
- Developing definitions and concepts around prevention and early intervention;
- Defining, with the commissioners, what will be considered “innovation”.
- Finding, recruiting and supervising content and program experts (both staff and consultants) in all the areas affected by the Act;
- Managing the processes and work of the Commission and its committees;
- Engaging in a continuing dialogue with Department of Mental Health, County Mental Health Directors Association and California Mental Health Planning Council leadership;
- Building solid, collaborative relationships, on behalf of the Commission, with various stakeholders, *viz.*: the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, the California Network of Mental Health Clients, the Mental Health Association of California, the California Council of Community Mental Health Agencies, the California Association of Social Rehabilitation Agencies, other affected state departments, professional associations, etc.;
- Anything else as necessary or requested.

The Commission is anxious to engage a well qualified person for this position and will move expeditiously toward that end. The salary for the position is dependent on background, personal salary history and qualifications.

Interested persons should send a statement of personal qualifications, a resume, a salary history and a list of references to the MHSOAC:

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The due date to receive applications is November 11, 2005.